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**Update for the Communicable Diseases and Infestations Rulemaking
(9 A.A.C. Chapter 6)**

The Department has initiated a rulemaking to revise the communicable diseases and infestations rules in Chapter 6. Definitions of terms used in more than one Article in Chapter 6 are found in 9 A.A.C. Chapter 6, Article 1. The rules regarding the reporting of information about communicable diseases and infestations are found in 9 A.A.C. Chapter 6, Article 2. The rules specifying control measures for reportable communicable diseases and infestations are found in 9 A.A.C. Chapter 6, Article 3.

To keep interested persons informed about the rulemaking, the Department has established a Web Page for the rulemaking. Individuals within the Department are continuing to review and revise the rules within Articles 1 through 3. A draft of the communicable diseases and infestations rules will be posted on the Department's website when they are available for informal public comment.

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